(d) what was the sales turn over of each drug during 1986 and what is the present turn over of these medicines ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO) : (a) to (c) The required details to the extent available are given at annexure. [*See* Appendix CLI, Annexure No. 41]. As per the provisions of DPCO, 1987, the manufacturers of decontrolled drugs are free to revise the prices. However, Government is keeping a watch and has intervened wherever found necessary.

(b) As per DPCO, 1987, the medicines referred to in the question are price decontrolled except Mycropyrin, Mycropyrin-F Tablets. However, Prepalin (Capsules) has also been brought under price control in November, 1988.

(d) Sales turnover is not monitored by this Ministry.

कोयला कमकारों के आश्रितों के लिए रोजगार

*98. **श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय :** क्या ऊर्जा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि 11 नवम्बर; 1982 को कर्मकार संघ के प्रतिनिधियों और कोल इंडिया लिमिटेड के प्रबंधमण्डल के बीच एक समझौते पर हस्ताक्षर किए गए थे जिसे 1 जनवरी; 1983 से लागू किया जाना था और जिसके अनुसार सेवानिवृत्ति के पश्चात् प्रत्येक कर्मकार के कम से कम एक आश्रित को रोजगार दिया जाना है; और

(ख) क्या इस समझौते को लागू कर दिया गया है ?

ऊर्जा मंत्री (श्री वसंत साठे) : (क) जी हां, । इस करार को हस्ताक्षरित करने की तारीख 11-11-1983 थी और न को हस्ताक्षरित किए जाने की तारीख 11-11-1982 है जैसाकि प्रश्न में उल्लेख किया गया है ।

(ख) इस करार की धारा 9.4.4 से, जिसमें प्रत्येक सेवा निवृत्त होने वाले कर्मचारी के एक आश्रित को रोजगार दिए जाने की व्यवस्था है, भारत के संविधान के अनुच्छेद 14 और 16 का उल्लंघन होना पाया गया है और इसलिए इसे क्रियान्वित नहीं किया गया ।

Comparative percentage of increase in the prices of tyres of various types

*99. SHRI VIRENDRA VERMA: SHRI MOHINDER SINGH LATHER :

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) what is the comparative percentage of increase in the prices of tyres of all types of vehicles during the period 1986-1889 so far;

(b) what are the considerations which weighed in favour of delicensing the tyre industry in the country stating the manner in which Government propose to contain the prices of tyres; and

(c) whether Government decided to expand the capacity of Vikrant Tyres, a public sector undertaking and to open new tyre manufacturing units in the country in the public sector to contain the prices of tyres; if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO) : (a) According to Automotive Tyre Manufacturers' Association (ATMA), Net Dealers' Prices of various categories of tyres had been increased by the tyre manufacturers approximately by 5% in April-May, 1986, 7% in July, 1987, 6% in October, 1988 and 4% in June, 1989.

(b) The automobile tyres and tubes industry has been delicensed so as to encourage creation of additional capacity in order to allow market forces to have free play. There is no statutory control on prices of tyres. However, Government have placed specified categories of truck and bus tyres under O.G.L. at a reduced rate of duty for import by bulk consumers in order to keep a check on prices of tyres. In addition, Government have liberally allowed fresh capacity for the manufacture of tyres through various policy measures. Government have also ensured maximisation of tyre production through continuous monitoring and regular interaction with the tyre industry. his has led to a substantial increase in production of bus and truck tyres in 1988 viz. 48.7 lakhs as compared to 39.4 lakhs in 1987.

(c) No proposal for the expansion of capacity of Vikrant Tyres Ltd., a joint sector unit or to open more tyre manufacturing units in the public sector is ending with the Government.

Acceptance of Kelkar Committee Recommendations

*100. SHRI P.N. SUKUL
DR. (SHRIMATI) SAROJINI MAHISHI:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of recommendations of the Kelkar Committee in the main report and supplementary report which are yet to be accepted by Government ;

(b) what are the reasons for the delay in accepting these recommendations; and

(c) by when these recommendations are likely to be accepted.

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) Decisions on all the major recommendations contained in the main report and supplementary report of the Kelkar Committee have already been taken.

(b) and (c): Do not arise.

Construction of shore supply base near Kakinada Port

527. SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Oil and Natural Gas Commission has agreed to construct a shore supply base near Kakinada port; and

(b) if so, by when the construction of the base is likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTERY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): (a) and (b): As and when Kakinada Port is developed, ONGC will consider establishing shore-based storage facilities there.

Appointment of Chairman, D.V.C.

528. SHRI MOHAMMED AMIN:
SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA:

Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government have consulted the West Bengal and Bihar Governments in the matter of appointment of Chairman, D.V.C. which is lying vacant since long; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard and by when a decision is likly to be taken in the matter?